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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment in response to the Official Action of August 11. 2006. Please amend the application as follows.

Attached are:

- Application Data Sheet (ADS);
- 2) Amendment to the Specification;
- 3) Certified Translation of Priority Document; and
- 4) Remarks in support of patentability.

For the reasons given in the attached Remarks, Applicants request reconsideration by the Examiner and early favorable action. If the Examiner has questions, Applicants request that he telephone the undersigned to expedite the prosecution of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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